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SUBJECT: DOMINICAN REPUBLIC: CENTRAL BANK SAYS NO PRC
INVESTMENT

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Reasons: 1.4 (b) and (d)

(C) In contradiction to PRC statistics, officials from the Dominican Central Bank say that the People's Republic of China (PRC) has not invested in Dominican Republic outside of the Free Trade Zones. U.S. Embassy Santo Domingo could not verify the 2003 USD 106 million that was listed in ref tel A. Below is Dominican Central Bank table of PRC investment in the from the last three years. These investments were located in FTZ. For more information please see ref B.

12. (U) Central Bank trade statistics follow:

Country	2002	2003	2004*	Total
PRC	0.2	nil	2.6	2.8
Taiwan	nil	nil	nil	nil
TOTAL	0.2	nil	2.6	2.8

*Preliminary data

Denominations listed in USD millions

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